

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis is a chronic and often disabling disease of the central nervous system that affects approximately 3,000 residents of the Palmetto State and an estimated 400,000 Americans; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of multiple sclerosis are variable, ranging from abnormal fatigue or numbness in the limbs to blindness or complete paralysis; and

WHEREAS, even though there is presently no cure for this disease, medications and therapeutic treatments are available to help manage the symptoms and enable those affected achieve maximum independence; and

WHEREAS, research continues to bring us closer to a cure while contributing to the development of improved treatment options that enhance the quality of life for people affected by multiple sclerosis.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2005 as

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness and understanding of this debilitating disease.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA